



HUMAN SERVICES POLICY COMMITTEE

HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS

June 25, 2021
12:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.

AGENDA

- 12:00 PM** **1. CONVENE MEETING & WELCOME**
Supervisor Andrea Bailey, Chair
- 12:05 PM** **2. HOUSING IS HEALTH CARE: THE CRITICAL ROLE OF SUPPORTIVE HOUSING TO MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING**
Jillian Fox, Director, CSH
Kelly Sweeney McShane, President and CEO, Community of Hope
Dr. Sylisa Lambert-Woodard, President and CEO, Pathways Homes
Dr. Teresa Titus-Howard, President and CEO, The Coordinating Center

It is well-established that supportive housing is an effective solution for people suffering from mental illness. [A recent study in Arizona found that “..it is 30% cheaper to provide housing to people with mental illness”](#) than to let them become homeless.

Ms. Jillian Fox will provide an overview of the important role that supportive housing can provide in ending a person’s experience of homelessness and the success that CSH has helped demonstrate in keeping people stably housed.

Kelly Sweeney McShane, Dr. Sylisa Lambert-Woodard, and Dr. Teresa Titus-Howard will share their local perspectives in how COVID has impacted their efforts over the past year and discuss how mental and behavioral health needs are woven into the supportive services they provide.

- 1:15 PM** **3. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE OPPORTUNITY: ACHIEVING YOUR HOUSING GOALS**
LaToya Thomas, Principal & Founder of Brick & Story / Housing Association of Nonprofit Developers (HAND)

In support of the region’s efforts to meet the COG Board’s 2019 regional housing targets, HAND is offering an opportunity to COG member jurisdictions for technical assistance, using an outside consultant, designed specifically for elected officials.

The purpose is to provide elected officials and other appointed persons who are responsible for making decisions about housing in their communities with the tools they need to support future growth and change.

Ms. Thomas will present the technical assistance proposal to HSPC members. Committee members will have an opportunity to provide input on whether the

proposed format would be valuable, which topics might be most impactful, or if there are other ways that HAND could better support local needs.

HAND's [Housing Indicator Tool](#) was launched in March 2021 to track progress by jurisdiction in meeting housing production targets, using the Urban Institute's [Regional Housing Framework](#).

1:45 PM **4. COG UPDATE: HSPC 2020 HOMELESSNESS COMPACT**
Hilary Chapman, Housing Program Manager

The committee will be briefed on the current efforts supporting the HSPC 2020 Compact to address homelessness, including the ongoing work to address racial equity within the homeless services system.

1:50 PM **5. CLOSING REMARKS**
Supervisor Andrea Bailey, Chair

1:55 PM **6. ADJOURN**

